

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, there are approximately 75 million licensed drivers age 50 and older in the U.S. which constitutes more than a third of all drivers on the nation's roadways; and

WHEREAS, according to U.S. government figures, this percentage is expected to increase significantly in the years ahead, increasing the need for safe driving practices; and

WHEREAS, to ensure 50+ drivers stay safe behind the wheel, over the past 28 years, the AARP Driver Safety Program has provided instruction to more than 11 million participants seeking to refresh their driving skills; and

WHEREAS, the AARP Driver Safety Program is designed to educate participants about how best to reduce traffic violations, crashes, and chances for injuries; update drivers' knowledge about relevant laws; and provide safe driving strategies to compensate for agerelated changes that affect one's driving ability; and

WHEREAS, the AARP Driver Safety Program offers those preparing to take to the road:

- Important strategies for staying crash-free;
- Insight into the challenges of city vs. rural driving;
- Tips for highway driving and driving with trucks, buses and other large vehicles;
- Suggestions for handling aggressive drivers and;
- Signs to help measure one's unsafe driving habits; and

WHEREAS, May is a peak month for spring travel, whether to view Idaho's beautiful countryside or just to visit friends and family;

Now, Therefore, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2008, to be

AARP Driver Safety Month

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho in Boise on this 30th day of April in the year of our Lord two-thousand and eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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